GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PR & RD Department –Retired State Election Commissioners Domestic Help(s) and Other Benefits Rules, 2025– Notification - Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (E & R) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 75 Dated: 20-08-2025

Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.91, PR & RD (Elections) Department, dtd.15.03.2000.
2. G.O.Ms.No.28, Law (LA & J-SC.F) Department, dtd.16.03.2012.
3. G.O.Ms.No.5, Law (LA & J-SC.F) Department, dtd.19.01.2022.
4. From the Principal Secretary, APSEC Lr.No.538/SEC-A/2020, dtd.05.06.2025.

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ORDER:

In the G.O. first read above, the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj (Conditions of Service of State Election Commissioner) Rules, 2000 were issued. The State Election Commissioner has been given the status of a High Court Judge and shall be entitled to pay and allowance, pension and perks and facilities to which a High Court Judge is entitled under the High Court Judges (Conditions of Service) Act, 1954 (Central Act 28 of 1954) and the rules made thereunder, as amended, and any orders issued in pursuance thereto either by the State Government or the Central Government from time to time.

2. In the G.O. third read above, the Government notified the "Retired Chief Justices and Judges Domestic Help(s) and Other Benefits Rules, 2021" in supersession of the orders issued in the G.O. 2nd read above.

3. In the reference 4th read above, the Principal Secretary, A.P. State Election Commission, while furnishing a report sought by the Government, requested to issue necessary rules relating to Domestic Help and other benefits to the former State Election Commissioners of Andhra Pradesh and their spouses on par with the retired High Court Judges of Andhra Pradesh.

4. The Government, after careful consideration of the proposal of the Principal Secretary, A.P. State Election Commission, hereby, notify the following Rules for providing Domestic Help and other minimum retiral benefits to the former State Election Commissioners and their spouses on par with the retired High Court Judges of Andhra Pradesh.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub section (3) of section 200 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 (Act No.13 of 1994), the Governor of the Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following rules, namely:-
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1. These Rules shall be called as the "Retired State Election Commissioners Domestic Help(s) and Other Benefits Rules, 2025".

2. These Rules shall be deemed to have come into force with effect from 01.09.2021.

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3. APPLICABILITY

The Rules shall apply to a person who has held office as a State Election Commissioner where he or she has held that office and their spouses.

4. DEFINITIONS:

i. Former State Election Commissioner means a person who has held office of the State Election Commission and/or drawing pension and other benefits from the Government of Andhra Pradesh or Government of India.

ii. Spouse means the wife or, as the case may be, the husband surviving a former State Election Commissioner upon his or her death while in office or after retirement.

iii. "Domestic Help" means the assistance of personnel to be provided to a retired State Election Commissioner, or to his or her spouse at the expenses to be borne by the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

5. ELIGIBILITY:

A retired State Election Commissioner or his or her spouse, as the case may be, shall be entitled to avail the services of Domestic Help(s), Secretarial Assistance, Security and Telephone facility at the expenses of the Government, subject to the following conditions:-

i. The facility of Domestic Help(s), Secretarial Assistance, Security and Telephone facility shall be provided to the retired State Election Commissioner or their spouse, if he/she is not availing such or similar facility from any other department in the Government.

ii. The retired State Election Commissioner or his/her spouse, as the case may be, on his/her appointment to any office, post or assignment shall not be entitled to the facility of Domestic Help(s), Secretarial Service and other benefits during the tenure of such appointment/assignment except where such appointment/ assignment does not provide the facility of any Domestic Help(s) and Secretarial Service and other benefits, respectively.

6. SELECTION OF DOMESTIC HELP(S)

The retired State Election Commissioner or his/her spouse, as the case may be, may at his or her discretion select persons to be engaged as Domestic Help(s).

7. REIMBURSEMENT

To enable the retired State Election Commissioner or his/her spouse, as the case may be, to engage Domestic Help(s), the Government shall provide a consolidated amount of Rs.45,000/- per month to a retired State Election Commissioner or spouse.

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8. CELL PHONE / LAND LINE EXPENSES, INTERNET CHARGES, SECRETARIAL SERVICES AND SECURITY SERVICES

The retired State Election Commissioner or his/her spouse, as the case may be, shall also be paid Rs.15,000/- per month towards expenses of rental and calls of Mobiles and/or Landline, internet service, secretarial services and security service. However, this facility shall not be available if the retired State Election Commissioner or his/her spouse, as the case may be, has accepted some assignment and has been provided the same facilities under that assignment, during the continuation of such assignment.

9. The amounts mentioned in Rules-7 & 8 shall be increased by 5% every one year.

10. The Secretary, A.P. State Election Commission, is authorized to draw and disburse the amount to the retired State Election Commissioners.

11. These orders are issued with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O.No.FMU0PC (PRRD)/56/2021, dtd.11.05.2021.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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